# APS Ten Year Transmission Plan 2014-2023

Arizona Corporation Commission 2014 Biennial Transmission Assessment

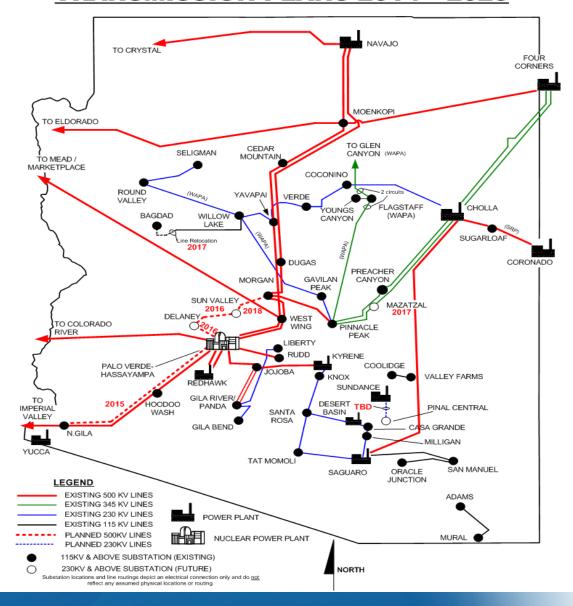
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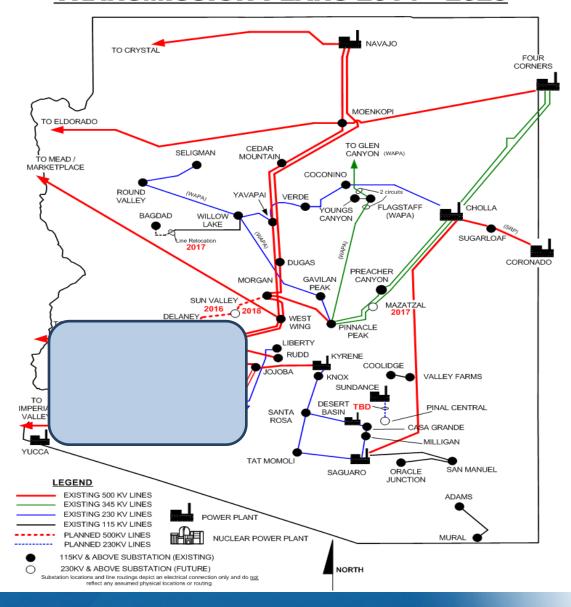
### **Overview**

- Description of APS's filed 2014-2023
  Transmission Plan
- Project changes from previous BTA
- RMR update
- Responses to preliminary questions
  - Subregional and stakeholder involvement
  - Transmission system adequacy
    - Potential coal plant retirement
    - September 8, 2011 event
    - Increased penetration of variable energy resources











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### Hassayampa-North Gila 500kV update

- Work is currently on schedule to be energized 6/1/15
  - Foundations scheduled to be complete in September
  - Structure assembly is in progress
  - Wire stringing began in April
  - Construction at North Gila substation will resume after summer season
  - Construction work at Hassayampa Switchyard started in April
  - Major equipment due to arrive fall 2014



### **Progress - North Gila Substation**

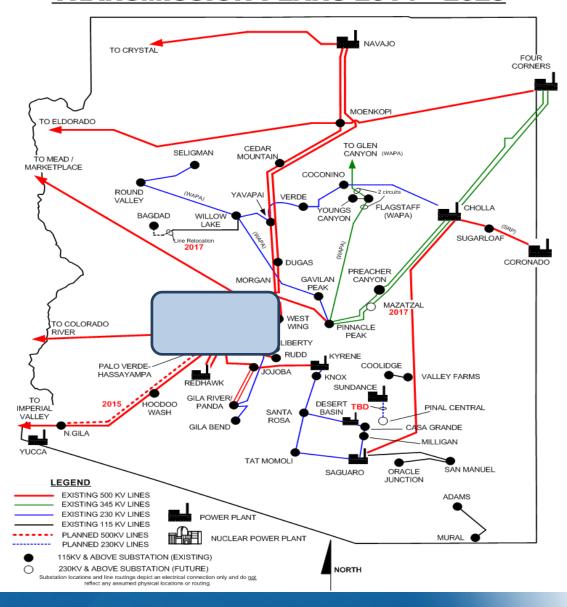




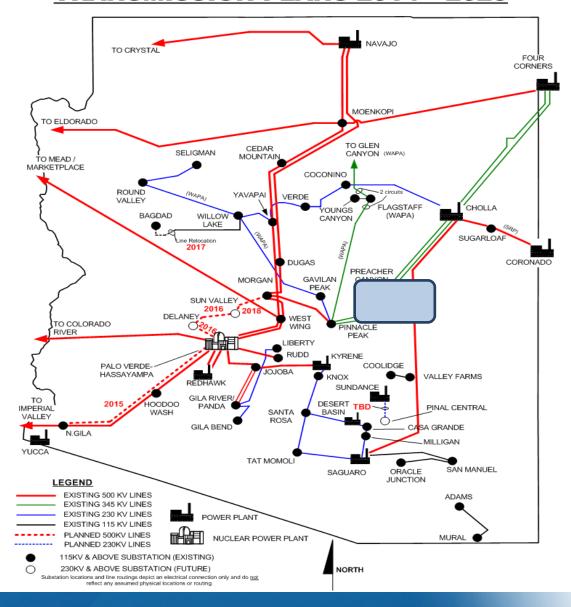
### **Progress - Line**



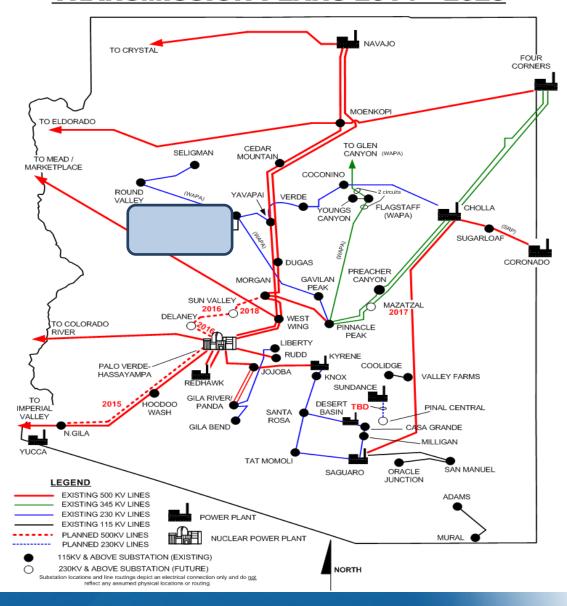






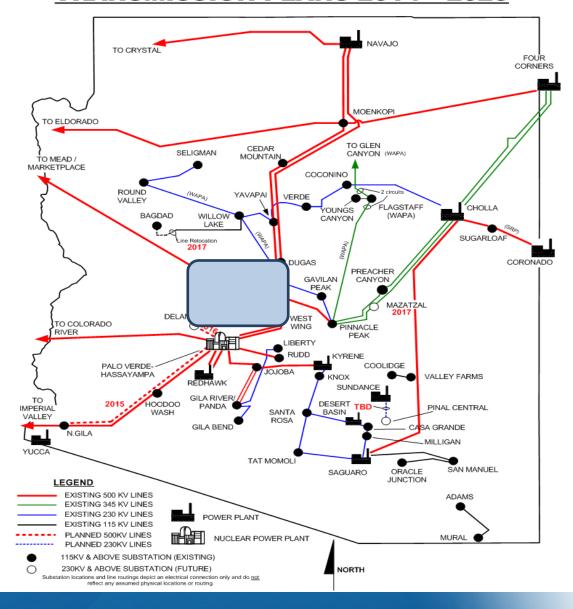






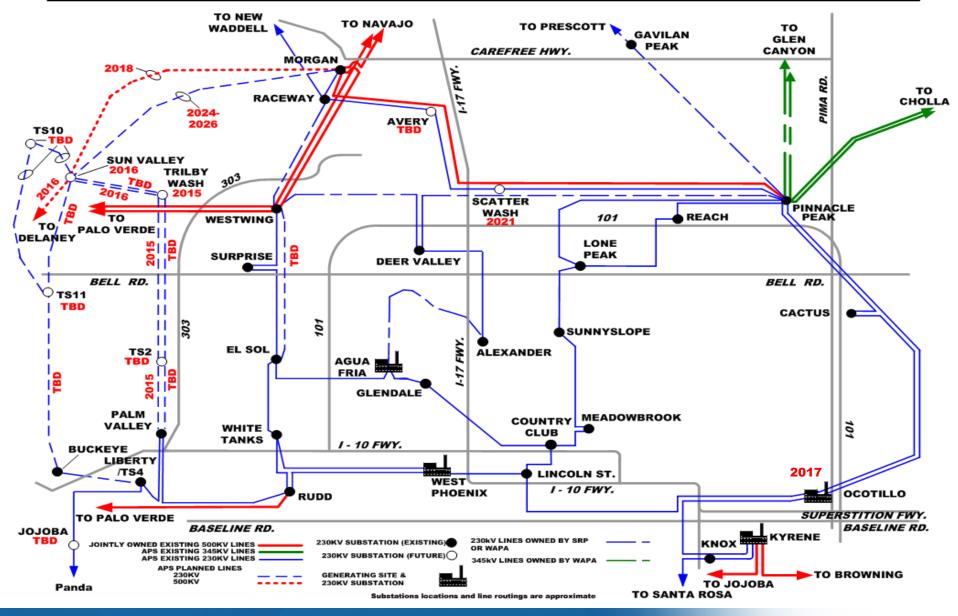


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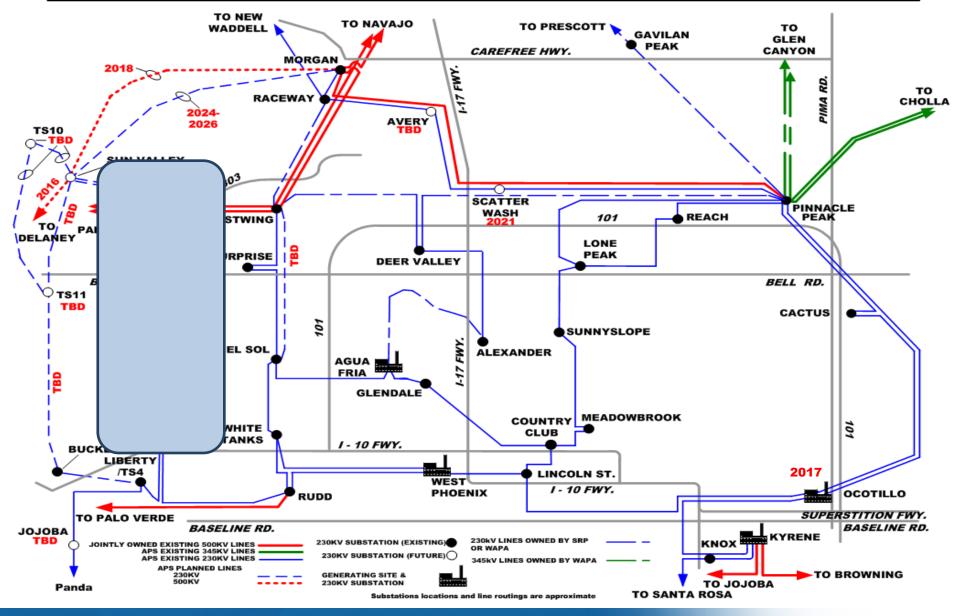




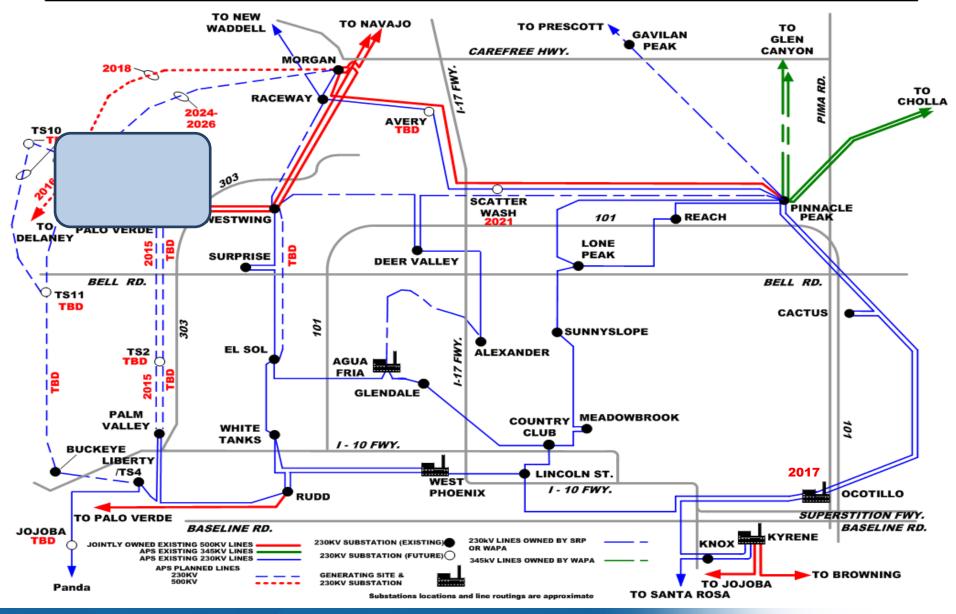
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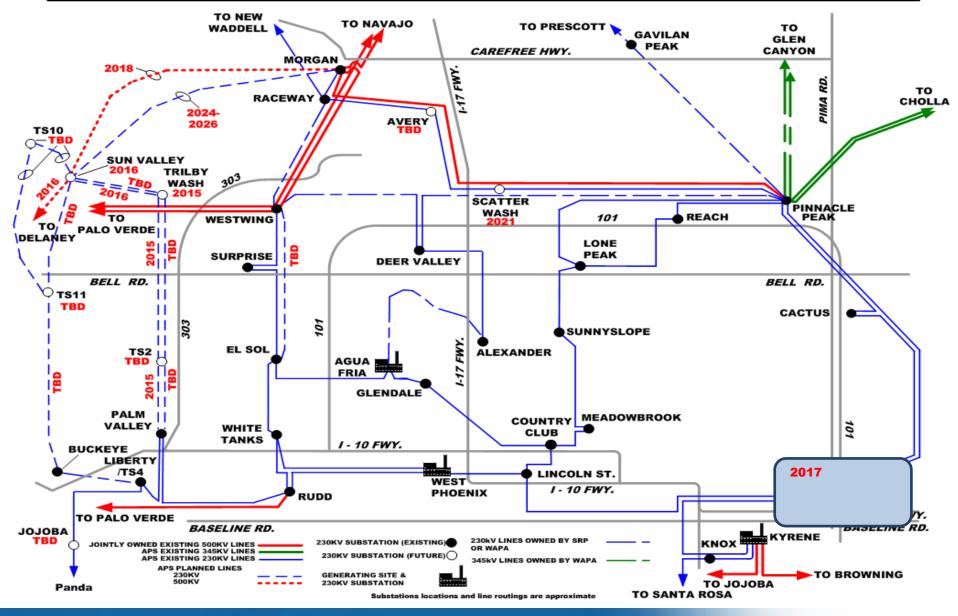






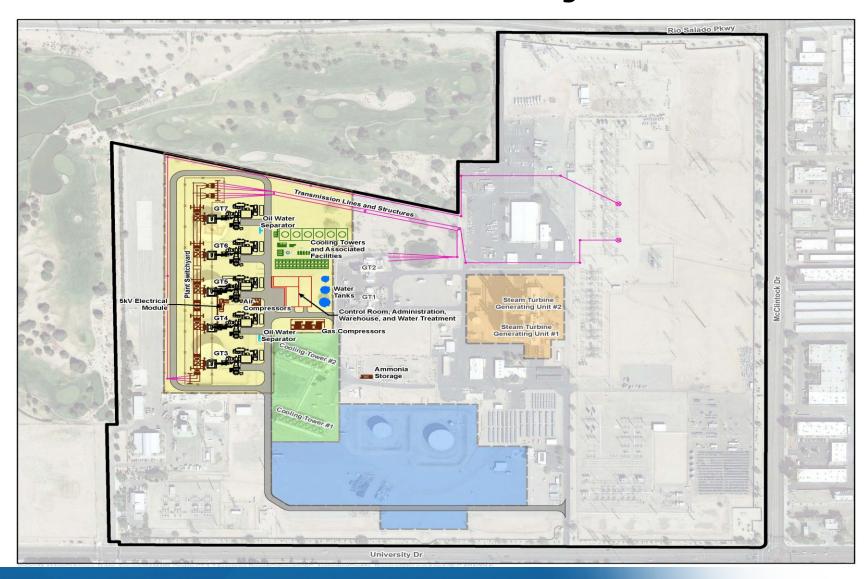




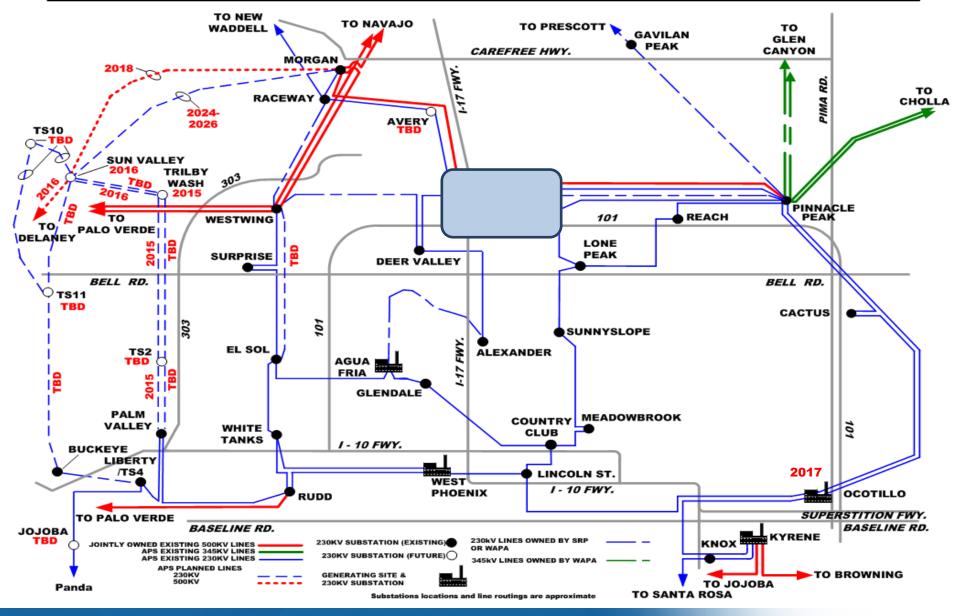




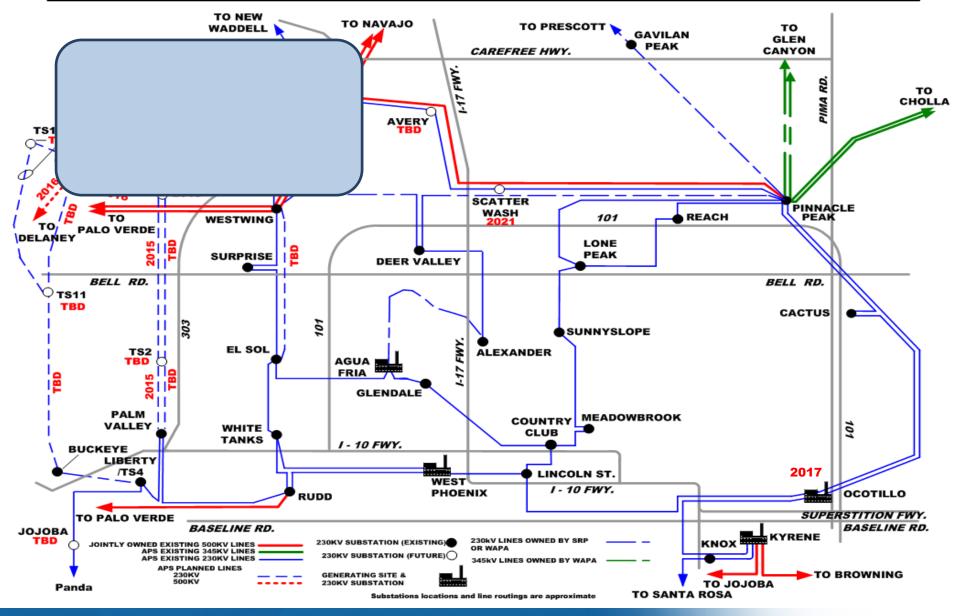
### **Ocotillo Modernization Project Site Plan**





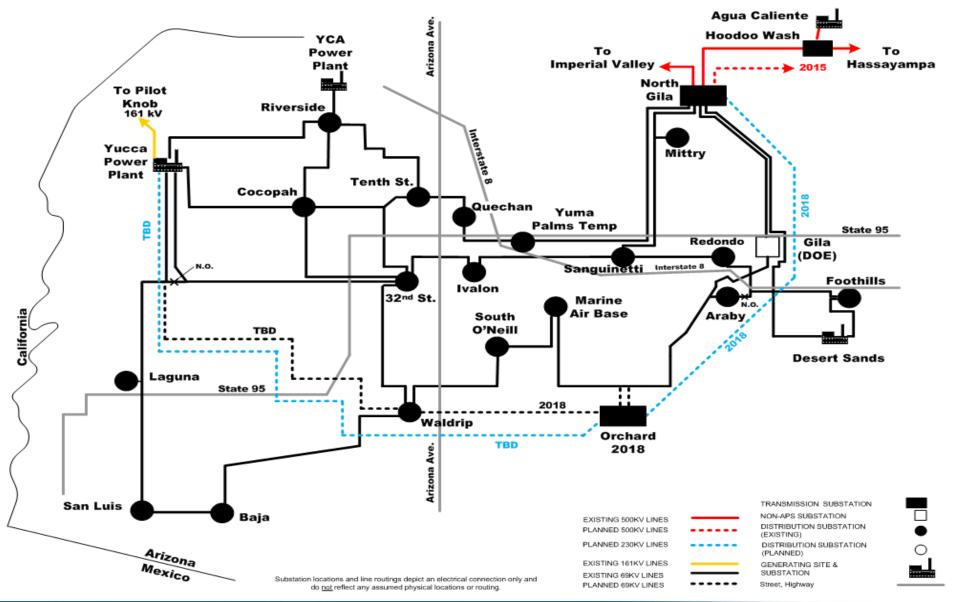






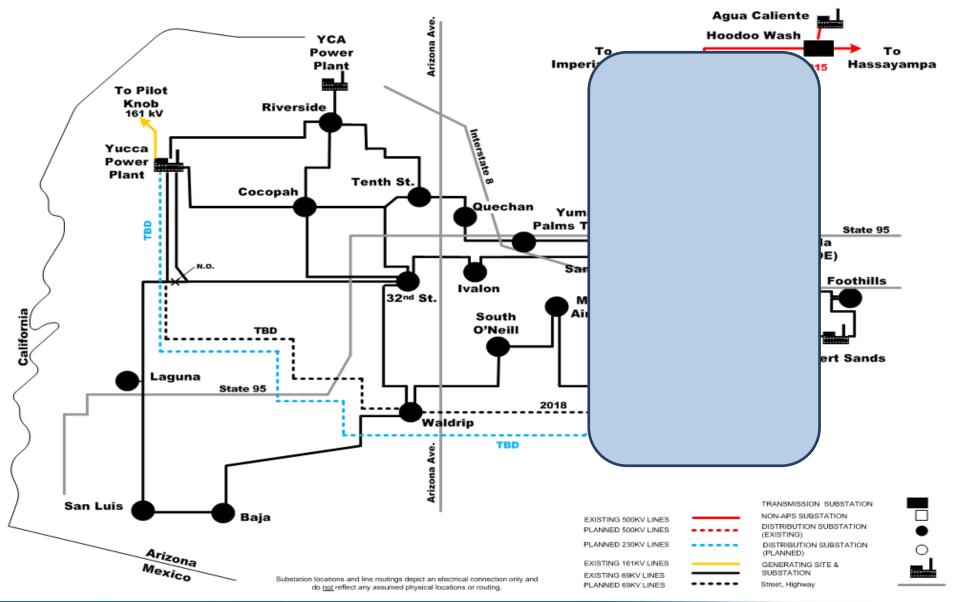


#### Yuma Area Transmission Plans 2014-2023





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### Changes from 2012 to 2014

Project	Change in Status	
	7 <sup>th</sup> BTA	8 <sup>th</sup> BTA
Youngs Canyon 345/69kV substation	In-service 12/9/13	
Delaney-Palo Verde 500kV line	2013	2016
Delaney-Sun Valley 500kV line	2015	2016
Mazatzal 345/69kV substation	2015	2017
Bagdad 115kV line relocation	2014	2017
North Gila-Orchard (TS8) 230kV Line	2015	2018



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Sun Valley-Trilby Wash 230kV line	2015	2016	
Sun Valley-Morgan 500kV line	2016	2018	
Pinal Central-Sundance 230kV line	2014	TBD	
Desert Basin-Pinal Central 230kV line	2014	No longer participating	
TS12 230/69kV substation	2021	Replaced	
OMP 230kV Generator Interconnections	N/A	2017	



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### **RMR Studies**

- 7th BTA resulted in an ACC order to suspend RMR studies
  - Four factors established for restarting RMR studies
    - Increase of load forecast by more than 2.5%
    - Planned retirement (or expected long-term outage during summer) of transmission/substation
    - Planned retirement (or expected long-term outage during summer) of a generating unit in an RMR area
    - Significant customer outage in an RMR load pocket during summer months
- 8<sup>th</sup> BTA APS analysis showed no triggering events have occurred that would require restarting a RMR study for Phoenix or Yuma load pockets



### **Subregional & Stakeholders**

- APS's projects are included in Southwest Area Transmission (SWAT), WestConnect, and Transmission Expansion Planning Policy Committee (TEPPC) plans
- APS projects are modeled in all WECC cases
- Regional transmission projects are reviewed and studied within regional/subregional forums
- APS/SRP Joint Stakeholder meetings (FERC Order 890)
  - 6/20/2013 and 12/19/2013



### System Adequacy

### Coal Plant Retirement Analysis

- APS's IRP considers a number of different scenarios
  - Studies performed included the effects of retiring Four Corners Units 1-3
- SWAT recently established the Coal Reduction Assessment Task Force
  - Evaluate the impact of coal retirements long-term and on a wider regional basis



### System Adequacy

### 9/8/2011 Take-Aways

- Increased situational awareness, cooperation and coordination
- Developing a wider view
  - Neighboring systems are monitored for effects of outages to the APS system
  - Determination of effects on APS system from outages on neighboring systems



### System Adequacy

### Variable Energy Resources

- Natural gas generation will become the energy source of choice
  - Operational flexibility
- Cleaner energy mix
  - Customer resources such as roof-top solar and energy efficiency projected to triple
- Advanced technology will change the electricity grid
  - Communication and automation
  - Integration of renewable energy



## Questions?

